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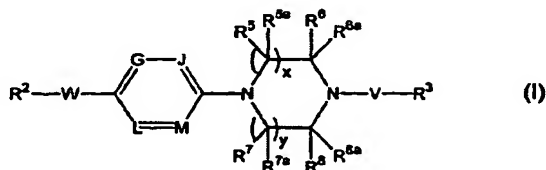
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(I)

(57) Abstract: Methods of treating an SCD-mediated disease or condition in a mammal, preferably a human, are disclosed, wherein the methods comprise administering to a mammal in need thereof a compound of formula (I): where G, J, L, M, x, y, W, V, R₂, R₃, R₄, R₅, R₆, R₇, R₈, R_{8a}, R₉, R_{9a}, R₁₀, R_{10a}, R₁₁ and R_{11a} are defined herein. Pharmaceutical compositions comprising the compounds of formula (I) are also disclosed.